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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION, AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in response to the Final Office Action dated April 30, 2008 (hereinafter the “Office Action”) in the above-captioned application. Applicants also submit the fee for a Request for Continued Examination and respectfully petition for a three month extension of time.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petition the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for a three (3) month extension of time, thereby extending the period within which to file a response up to and including October 30, 2008. The fee for a three (3) month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is included with this submission. Accordingly, this submission is responsive within the paid-for extensions of time.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicants hereby submit a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in the above-captioned application. Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge \$810 to undersigned's Deposit Account No 50-0206, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e), to cover the corresponding fee for a large entity.

In the event of any variance between the amount enclosed and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

RESPONSE

Presentation of the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 7.